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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, UN, VQ, US, FJ  
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) VISITING MISSION TO THE US  
VIRGIN ISLANDS

REF: A) STATE 073000 (NOTAL); B) USUN 1006 (NOTAL)

1. ON APRIL 7, MISOFF MET WITH FIJIAN PERM REP VUNIBOBO  
AT THE LATTER'S REQUEST TO DISCUSS THE US INVITATION TO  
THE COMMITTEE OF 24 VISITING MISSION TO THE CAYMAN  
ISLANDS TO VISIT THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS. VUNIBOBO EXPRESSED  
HIS PLEASURE AND THAT OF THE OTHER MISSION MEMBERS AT  
THE INVITATION. HE SAID THE GENERAL REACTION IN THE C-24  
WAS VARY FAVORABLE BUT ALSO ONE OF SURPRISE.

2. VUNIBOBO SAID THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT A FORMAL DECISION  
BY THE C-24 IN RESPONSE TO OUR INVITATION UNTIL TUESDAY,  
APRIL 12. HE SUGGESTED, HOWEVER, THAT WE PROCEED ON  
THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE INVITATION WILL BE ACCEPTED IN  
ORDER NOT TO DELAY THE NECESSARY PLANNING AND ADDED THAT  
THE COMMITTEE WOULD BE "VERY FOOLISH" NOT TO ACCEPT THE  
INVITATION. VUNIBOBO SAID THAT THE VISITING MISSION  
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TENTATIVELY PLANS TO LEAVE THE CAYMAN ISLANDS  
ON FRIDAY, APRIL 22 AT 2:30 PM FOR KINGSTON, JAMAICA  
WHERE IT WILL REMAIN UNTIL SUNDAY, APRIL 24, WHEN  
IT WOULD PLAN TO TRAVEL TO THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS.

3. VUNIBOBO ASKED THAT WE PROVIDE HIM WITH A  
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND ANY GENERAL INFORMATION

(SUCH AS TOURIST LITERATURE) ON THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS BY MONDAY, APRIL 11 AND A BRIEFING BY MISSOFF BY WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY.

4. VUNIBOBO SAID THAT HE CONSIDERS THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSION TO BE SERIOUS AND OBJECTIVE AND IS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE MISSION WILL PREPARE A BALANCED AND OBJECTIVE REPORT ON THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS. HE AGREED THAT OUR INVITATION SHOULD HELP US WITH OTHER PROBLEMS WITH THE COMMITTEE OF 24. YOUNG

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